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A marked up version of the revised paragraph in the Specification, showing insertions and deletions, is included in Appendix A. Please rewrite the paragraph on page 13, lines 8-15 as follows:

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If the outer most thermoset layer is too thick, this layer will contribute to the in-flight characteristics related to the overall construction of the ball and not the surface properties. If the outermost thermoset layer is too thin, however, it may not be durable enough to withstand repeated impacts by the golfer's clubs. Specifically, it has been determined that the outer cover layer should have a thickness of greater than about 0.065 inches, preferably greater than about 0.08 inches, and more preferably greater than about 0.1 inches.

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